

# **State of Alaska FY2010 Governor's Operating Budget**

## **Department of Health and Social Services Commissioner's Office Component Budget Summary**

**Component: Commissioner's Office**

**Contribution to Department's Mission**

The mission of the Office of the Commissioner is to provide support and policy direction to the divisions and offices within the department to ensure the promotion and protection of the health and well-being of Alaskans.

**FY2010 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results**

**FY2010 Component Budget: \$2,252,800**

**Personnel:**

Full time	14
Part time	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>

**Key Component Challenges**

The Commissioner's Office takes the lead role in assuring that intra-departmental and inter-departmental activities are planned and executed in a manner that will maximize the generation of federal and other non-state revenues. Quality control and program review efforts are underway to ensure more effective quality assurance.

Continued progress is also being made on the following projects:

- Development of in-state residential and community-based treatment options for children and youth with an emphasis on minimizing the number and duration of out-of-state placements, through the Bring the Kids Home project.
- Implementation of legislation including Medicaid Adult Dental program and child protection programs.
- Preparation and planning with federal, state, and community partners for a potential influenza pandemic.
- Implementation of a department-wide Quality Management program that incorporates the elements of Program Integrity (fraud detection and audit, with particular emphasis on the Payment Error Rate Measurement project), Quality Assurance (internal controls), and Quality Enhancement (corrective action).
- Promotion of services that focus on enhancing health and well-being and preventing illness through development of a comprehensive state policy that includes reduction of alcohol and substance abuse.
- Improvements to child abuse prevention and protection efforts, particularly with Alaska Native partners.
- Development of the new Medicaid Management Information System.
- Development of new comprehensive Medicaid regulations which clarify coverage and payment rules for the program and provide for greater accountability for both the department and health care providers.
- Identification of and resolving issues relating to the recruitment and retention of qualified employees to allow the department to fulfill its ongoing mission.
- The Department has continued work on its Medicaid reform efforts funded under Chapter 10 SLA 2007 (Senate Bill 61). These efforts include redesigning reimbursement methodologies for prescription drugs and home and community-based services, developing a Medicaid long term care plan for the state, enhancing

federal funding opportunities for the Pioneer Homes, CAMA, and adult behavioral health services, and making more effective use of the tribal health care system, with its 100% federal Medicaid reimbursement for Alaska Natives.

### **Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2010**

The Department received grant funding from its partners the Rasmuson Foundation and the Mental Health Trust Authority to implement recommendations of the internal and external review of grant business processes identifying the strengths and weaknesses of the Department's grant process, areas of possible improvement for the Department as well as the non-profit sector, and recommendations for the partners to pursue.

The Department has asked for comprehensive grantee rate increases across the department and removing the one-time funding for SB 61.

The department initiated a strategic planning process to increase alignment of both resources and programs to achieve measurable results. Leadership established five overarching goals in the areas of substance abuse, health and wellness, health care reform, long-term care and vulnerable populations. The focus is on outlining measurable, department-wide strategies to achieve outcomes and create efficiencies and effectiveness in service delivery with the following goals:

- Decrease the negative impacts of alcohol and substance abuse in Alaska.
- Improve the health status of Alaskans.
- Improve access to quality health care in Alaska.
- Increase the percent of adults 65 and older living independently in Alaska.
- Increase the percent of individuals at risk who are able to live safely in their homes in Alaska.

### **Major Component Accomplishments in 2008**

- Continued to work with providers through the Bring the Kids Home project to develop in-state residential and community-based treatment options for children and youth with an emphasis on minimizing the number and duration of out-of-state placements. As of October 27, 2008 (point in time) there were 197 children in out-of-state placement, compared to 429 out of state in spring 2006.
- Developed new Medicaid eligibility regulations that promote efficient program administration by both the department and providers of Medicaid services as well as provide Medicaid clients with clear guidance as to their rights and responsibilities.
- Implemented a home and community-based waiver program for Severely Emotionally Disturbed Children diagnosed with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, which began in fall 2007.
- Provided leadership for the Alaska Health Care Strategies Planning Council, established through Administrative Order No. 232, to advise the Governor and Legislature on ways to effectively provide access to quality health care and to help reduce the costs of health care for Alaskans.
- Completed construction of a new virology lab in Fairbanks.
- Dedicated and received certification by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to begin operation of the first state Veteran's Home, the Alaska Veterans and Pioneers Home.
- The Office of Children's Services evaluated operations and, based on recommendations, continued systems improvement to better serve and protect the children of the state.

### **Statutory and Regulatory Authority**

AS 18 Health, Safety and Housing  
AS 44.29 Department of Health and Social Services  
AS 44.62 Administrative Procedures Act

AS 47.05 Welfare, Social Services and Institutions, Administration of Welfare, Social Services and Institutions

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**Commissioner's Office  
Component Financial Summary**

*All dollars shown in thousands*

	FY2008 Actuals	FY2009 Management Plan	FY2010 Governor
<b>Non-Formula Program:</b>			
<b>Component Expenditures:</b>			
71000 Personal Services	1,142.9	1,701.0	1,828.0
72000 Travel	117.1	62.7	121.7
73000 Services	67.1	112.9	290.1
74000 Commodities	28.1	12.2	12.2
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.8	0.8
77000 Grants, Benefits	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Expenditure Totals</b>	<b>1,355.2</b>	<b>1,889.6</b>	<b>2,252.8</b>
<b>Funding Sources:</b>			
1002 Federal Receipts	184.5	464.2	415.0
1003 General Fund Match	133.2	254.4	241.5
1004 General Fund Receipts	461.3	185.0	274.3
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	569.9	874.3	961.3
1037 General Fund / Mental Health	0.0	105.0	107.8
1061 Capital Improvement Project Receipts	6.3	6.7	6.8
1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts	0.0	0.0	50.0
1108 Statutory Designated Program Receipts	0.0	0.0	196.1
<b>Funding Totals</b>	<b>1,355.2</b>	<b>1,889.6</b>	<b>2,252.8</b>

**Estimated Revenue Collections**

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2008 Actuals	FY2009 Management Plan	FY2010 Governor
<b>Unrestricted Revenues</b>				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Unrestricted Total</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Restricted Revenues</b>				
Federal Receipts	51010	184.5	464.2	415.0
Interagency Receipts	51015	569.9	874.3	961.3
Statutory Designated Program Receipts	51063	0.0	0.0	196.1
Capital Improvement Project Receipts	51200	6.3	6.7	6.8
<b>Restricted Total</b>		<b>760.7</b>	<b>1,345.2</b>	<b>1,579.2</b>
<b>Total Estimated Revenues</b>		<b>760.7</b>	<b>1,345.2</b>	<b>1,579.2</b>

**Summary of Component Budget Changes  
From FY2009 Management Plan to FY2010 Governor**

*All dollars shown in thousands*

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
<b>FY2009 Management Plan</b>	<b>544.4</b>	<b>464.2</b>	<b>881.0</b>	<b>1,889.6</b>
<b>Adjustments which will continue current level of service:</b>				
-Transfer to Public Affairs to adequately fund component	-17.2	-47.3	-10.5	-75.0
-Transfer to Quality Assurance and Audit to adequately fund component	-15.0	-10.0	0.0	-25.0
-Transfer to Facilities Management to adequately fund component	0.0	-5.0	-15.0	-20.0
-FY2010 Wage and Health Insurance Increases for Bargaining Units with Existing Agreements	11.4	13.1	14.8	39.3
<b>Proposed budget increases:</b>				
-MH Trust: Grantee Partnership Project	0.0	0.0	50.0	50.0
-Increase Interagency Receipts for Workforce Development Coordinator	0.0	0.0	97.8	97.8
-Grantee Partnership Project	100.0	0.0	196.1	296.1
<b>FY2010 Governor</b>	<b>623.6</b>	<b>415.0</b>	<b>1,214.2</b>	<b>2,252.8</b>

**Commissioner's Office  
Personal Services Information**

<b>Authorized Positions</b>			<b>Personal Services Costs</b>	
	<b>FY2009 Management Plan</b>	<b>FY2010 Governor</b>		
Full-time	14	14	Annual Salaries	1,240,346
Part-time	0	0	COLA	36,716
Nonpermanent	1	1	Premium Pay	10,085
			Annual Benefits	540,908
			<i>Less 0.00% Vacancy Factor</i>	(55)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total Personal Services</b>	<b>1,828,000</b>

**Position Classification Summary**

<b>Job Class Title</b>	<b>Anchorage</b>	<b>Fairbanks</b>	<b>Juneau</b>	<b>Others</b>	<b>Total</b>
Administrative Assistant II	0	0	1	0	1
Administrative Clerk III	1	0	0	0	1
Chief Medical Officer	1	0	0	0	1
Commissioner	1	0	0	0	1
Coordinator	0	1	0	0	1
Dep Commissioner	3	0	0	0	3
Exec Secretary III	0	0	1	0	1
Health Program Mgr IV	0	0	1	0	1
Project Coordinator	0	0	1	0	1
Secretary	1	0	1	0	2
Special Staff Assistant	1	0	0	0	1
Student Intern II	0	0	1	0	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>